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THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST--4 JANUARY 1963

1. CONGO:

A. UN FORCES HAVE SECURED JADOTVILLE. REPORTS THAT THEY HAVE BEGUN TO ADVANCE TOWARD KOLWEZI, SOME 70 MILES FURTHER NORTH, ARE NOT FIRM.

B. RALPH BUNCHE IS NOW ON HIS WAY TO THE CONGO. COINCIDENT WITH HIS DEPARTURE, UN HEADQUARTERS IN NEW YORK HAS CONCEDED PUBLICLY THAT THE MOVE ON JADOTVILLE HAD NOT BEEN AUTHORIZED.

C. THE UN MILITARY UNITS HAVE YET TO ENCOUNTER ANY DETERMINED RESISTANCE FROM THE KATANGAN GENDARMERIE OR MERCENARIES. UNION MINIERE INSTALLATIONS IN JADOTVILLE WERE DAMAGED BUT SLIGHTLY BEFORE THE UN MOVED IN.

D. TWO BELGIAN WOMEN WERE KILLED BY INDIAN TROOPS IN THE TAKEOVER OF JADOTVILLE. SPAAK, ALREADY ACUTELY EMBARRASSED BECAUSE HE HAD BEEN ASSURED THAT THE UN DID NOT INTEND TO TAKE JADOTVILLE AND HAD SO INFORMED THE BELGIAN PRESS, IS READYING A STRONG PROTEST.

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E. AS OF YESTERDAY, TSHOMBE WAS IN KOLWEZI VOWING
PROTRACTED GUERRILLA RESISTANCE. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ADOULA TAKES THE POSITION THAT THE TIME HAS
PASSED FOR HIM TO SIT DOWN AGAIN WITH TSHOMBE.

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F. [REDACTED] FROM LEOPOLDVILLE [REDACTED] THE
SOVIET AMBASSADOR THERE IS TRYING TO EGG THE CENTRAL GOVERN-
MENT ALONG TOWARD MOVING ITS FORCES INTO SOUTHERN KATANGA.
HE IS [REDACTED] USING THE ENTICING LINE THAT SUCH A MOVE
WOULD WIN LEOPOLDVILLE A JUST MEASURE OF THE CREDIT FOR
BREAKING KATANGA'S SECESSION.

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2. ARAB STATES - YEMEN:

A. THE JORDANIAN GOVERNMENT HAS MADE CONTACT WITH THE
USSR ON THE POSSIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING RELATIONS.

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C. SAUDI ARABIA YESTERDAY DECLARED A FORMAL MOBILIZA-
TION IN RESPONSE TO EGYPTIAN AIR RAIDS ON ITS TERRITORY.

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CUBAN MEDDLING IN BRAZIL'S DOMESTIC POLITICS.

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[REDACTED]

B. THE CUBANS ARE NEGOTIATING IN MOSCOW FOR AT LEAST ONE SOVIET AN-12 HEAVY TRANSPORT. THE AIRCRAFT--WHOSE CLOSEST EQUIVALENT IS OUR C-130 HERCULES--HAS A CAPACITY FOR MILITARY PURPOSES OF 21,000 POUNDS, 90 TROOPS, OR 60 PARATROOPS, AND A RANGE OF FROM 350 TO 1400 N.M. DEPENDING ON THE LOAD. HOWEVER, WE INFER FROM THE FACT THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS ARE IN THE HANDS OF THE CUBAN FOREIGN TRADE MINISTRY THAT THE TRANSPORT IS EARMARKED FOR COMMERCIAL USE. [REDACTED]

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C. BY LATEST COUNT, THERE ARE 22 BLOC SHIPS EN ROUTE TO CUBA. IDENTIFIED CARGOES INCLUDE METAL PRODUCTS, AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT, FERTILIZER, TRACTORS, TRUCKS, SPARE PARTS, CHEMICALS, FOOD AND PETROLEUM. [REDACTED]

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4. LAOS:

A. A KIND OF SINO-SOVIET DISPUTE IN MINIATURE IS GOING ON WITHIN THE PATHET LAO.

B. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WE LEARN THAT THE LEFTISTS ARE CARRYING ON A RUNNING DEBATE AMONG THEMSELVES. A GROUP HEADED BY PRINCE SOUPHAN-NOUVONG, ON ONE SIDE, ARGUES THAT THE COUNTRY CAN BE BROUGHT UNDER PATHET LAO CONTROL BY POLITICAL MEANS. TIME AND PATIENCE WILL DO THE JOB.

C. A MILITANT FACTION RANGED AGAINST HIM CONTENTS THAT THE DELIBERATE ROUTE IS NEITHER CERTAIN NOR NECESSARY GIVEN PATHET LAO MILITARY SUPREMACY.

5. NOTES:

A. USSR: A SPACE VEHICLE WAS PUT INTO ORBIT FROM
TYURATAM EARLIER THIS MORNING.

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B. PERU: THE JUNTA HAS THREATENED TO SUSPEND CON-
STITUTIONAL RIGHTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AS THE WAVE OF
COMMUNIST-LED DISORDERS CONTINUES. A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN
YESTERDAY CHARGED THAT THE COMMUNISTS WITH OUTSIDE SUPPORT
ARE READY TO LAUNCH A WELL-ORGANIZED CAMPAIGN OF SUBVERSION.

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C. EAST-WEST GERMANY: THE EAST GERMANS HAVE REHA-
BILITATED A LINE OF ARGUMENT LAST HEARD IN 1960. AN EDITO-
RIAL IN THE PARTY MOUTHPIECE YESTERDAY SAID THAT "THE MOST
SUITABLE FORM OF REALIZING PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE IN GERMANY
IS A CONFEDERATION OF THE TWO GERMAN STATES WHICH MIGHT ALSO
BE JOINED BY A FREE CITY OF WEST BERLIN."

D. IRAN: THE SHAH

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IS SCHEDULING A REFERENDUM ON
HIS LAND REFORM PROGRAM. BY MOVING FAST--THE VOTE WILL TAKE
PLACE ONLY 10 DAYS LATER--HE INTENDS TO GIVE OPPONENTS OF THE
PROGRAM NO TIME TO RALLY.

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